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Learning Commission's report receives mixed reviews locally

Didsbury's Mayor upset over proposal to allow boards to increase property taxes

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Didsbury's Mayor Dorothy Moore is upset over the Learning Commission suggesting that school boards throughout the Province, such as Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD), be allowed to charge up to 10 per cent more on the educational portion of Albertans municipal taxes.

Moore says that the Province should find a completely separate way to charge Albertans their educational taxes, rather than making the municipalities the collectors of the fees.

"They (the Province) have a lot of other ways to find funding," Moore said.

The Province struck the 'Learning Commission' which did a complete review of the education system in Alberta - the first review which has been conducted in the past 30 years.

The Commission put forward 95 recommendations to the Province, which will go before the government to see which recommendations they want to implement.

Among the 95 recommendations the Commission is asking for the government to invest \$137 million instantly for the education system and an additional \$500 million in the next five years, which could result in local educational taxes being increased by up to 10 per cent.

Currently each school board has the right to raise educational taxes by three per cent by referendum - a move which CESD has not had to experience yet, according to Didsbury area Trustee and Board Chair, Roy Brassard.

According to reports put out by the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) the Province receives nearly \$6 billion per year from municipal taxes as compared to the municipalities only receiving \$5 billion from their own residents, which isn't right Moore says.

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Midway school considered for closure by CESD

by Carla Victor
The Review

A review into Midway Community School's utilization will be more about keeping the school open than shutting it down, said Superintendent Jim Gibbons.

And that is how a committee formed to look at the long-term viability of this nearly 50-year-old school will be proceeding.

From all accounts, this Grade 1 to 6 school is much more than

a learning centre, it is the heart and soul of its community both physically and socially, said Trustee Ian Taylor. A second home to its students, said parent and Home and School Committee secretary Heidi Nysten. And a distinct school in the division for the fact it is the only school to include the word community in its name, said Gibbons.

"I feel very strong in the

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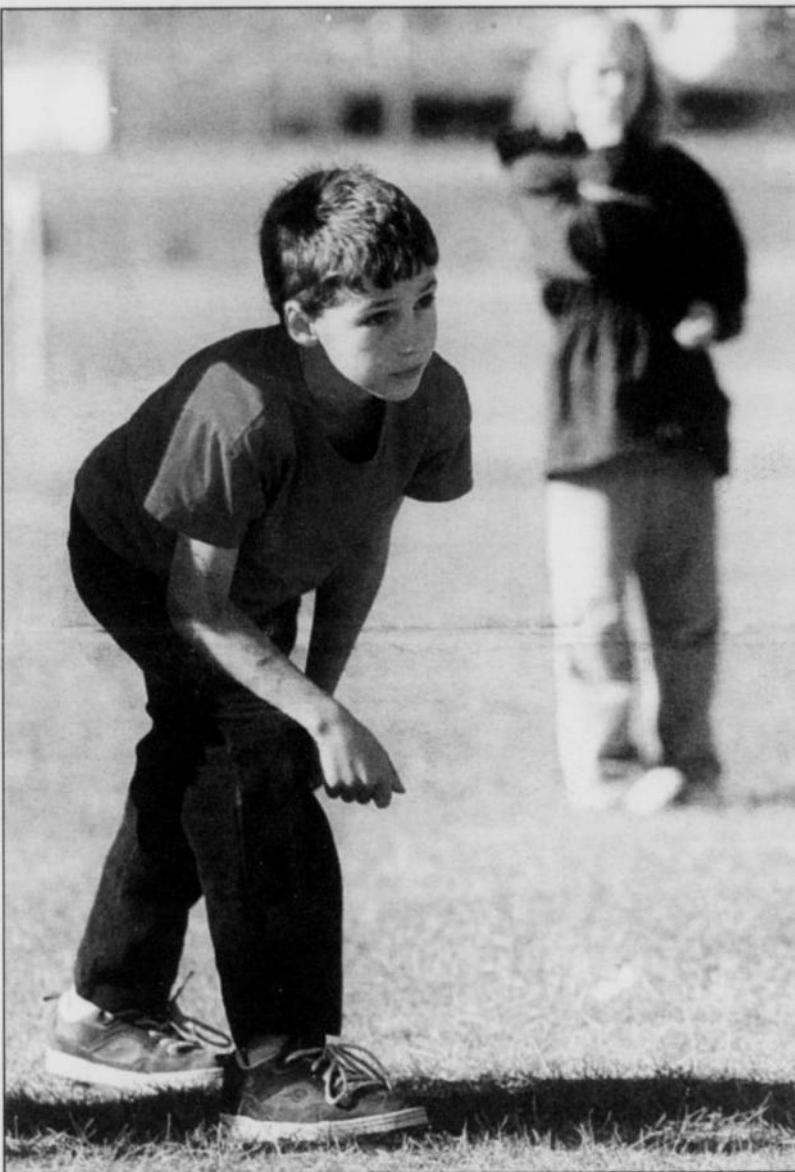


photo by Shawne Mohl

Ready... set... go!

Ross Ford Elementary grade 4 student, Rushton Davis-Hall, prepares to take a charging head start during the schools cross country running competition held last Thursday, October 9, before students were dismissed for a four day long Thanksgiving Day weekend. Each class at Ross Ford Elementary School, like Davis-Hall's, took part in the fun, and all students were awarded participation ribbons and received a juice box to help them cool off after their jog around the school's sports field.

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Residents urged to attend open house

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Town councillors and administrators have been working hard the last few weeks gathering information so that they can give residents the heads up about three very important topics within the community.

The Town is hosting an open house tonight, Wednesday, October 15, at the Didsbury Train Station where residents are encouraged to come and get the 'correct' information, rather than relying on word of mouth around the community.

"This is just an information meeting. Town councillors will be sitting at tables - this is not at all a public forum - there will not be any debate," explained, Daniel King, town council assistant for the Town of Didsbury.

The Town will be discussing three separate issues with citizens, and they are:

a) Train whistle sensation - A number of residents have signed a petition which has been circulating around the community to try and have the whistle stopped.

Council has been told it will cost approximately \$60,000, which the town must absorb for a mandatory study.

With this information Transport Canada along with the Canadian Pacific Railway will then give direction to the Town what steps need to be taken for the whistle to be stopped.

"There is no guarantee that the whistle will be stopped at all - or forever," explained Town Councillor, Clem Kuelker at a past Town Council meeting.

b) Cat By-law - The Town of Didsbury's By-law Officer, Greg Hnatiuk has been drafting a proposed cat by-law, for residents to review at this meeting.

A by-law which Hnatiuk pro-

posed to council several weeks ago would have complainants pick up a trap from the Town of Didsbury themselves, set it up in their yards with very strict rules about when and where the trap can be set up, and once a cat is caught the Town will then be responsible for the costs, unless the owner comes forward.

c) Smoking By-law - Coun-

cillor Harry Penner brought forward a proposed by-law which would see public smoking outlawed in any eating establishment in the Town of Didsbury where ever youth are served.

At this meeting the Town will have examples of other by-laws, and will be looking for the public's input so they can make an educated decision on behalf of the taxpayers within the community.

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"They have taken so much of our property taxes that we, as municipalities, are faced with these huge infrastructure debts," Moore said. "I am not in favour of the Provincial government increasing the educational taxes at all and in fact, I am not in favour of the Province being on our tax rolls at all."

Moore says the problem lies when residents complain about their taxes being increased that they think the entire amount goes towards costs for the municipality, when only a very small portion actually does.

"People always think that we get all of this money - which we don't. We only get a very small portion of it and have very high demands," Moore added.

The average resident in the Town of Didsbury pays approximately \$1,800 per year for their property taxes, which approximately \$537 goes towards educational taxes, while the remaining goes to the Town - although only approximately \$290.37, according to Moore, is left to be used for operational costs, to maintain services, to complete public works functions, for wages for both staff and town council, and other miscellaneous expenditures and revenues. The remaining funds go to pay for such things as the new RCMP detachment, recreational costs, and other costs associated with the Town.

If there was a 10 per cent increase to education taxes this would total approximately \$54 per month more, which would be added to local residents taxes, but would go directly to the school division.

CESD Board Chair, Roy Brassard, isn't in favor of this move and says that residents won't be seeing their taxes increase anytime in the near future.

"I think that this would be one of the most difficult to deal with because generally speaking the public thinks it is the responsibility of the government to educate the children and if there isn't enough money in there then they (the Province) have to address that," Brassard said. "I wouldn't account on any immediate tax hikes or injections of funds to the school board."

Other recommendations which were released in the report, which was released last Tuesday, suggest that the Province reduce classroom sizes, remove administration within schools (principals, vice principals) from the unions and establish a separate group for them to be apart of, among a number of other recommendations.

Brassard feels that CESD is doing a good job at having as few of students in classrooms, although he does admit the Board must work harder at reducing elementary classroom sizes from K-3.

The report recommends that Alberta classrooms should have approximately 17 students in junior kindergarten to grade 3, grades 4 to 6 should have no more than approximately 23 students, and 7 to 12 should have no more than 25 to 27 students.

"The difficulty - when you reduce classroom size is that you are not only going to have to hire more teachers but also find more classroom space."

I don't know if that is going to entail adding more portables to schools, but there is going to be a concern there. From K to (grade) 3 we are going to have to take a look at that, because they are higher than we would like and obviously higher than what is indicated in the report from the Commission."

Brassard says as a whole his board was pleased with the report, saying that the Board for CESD will be doing the same thing as the government which will be to review, debate, and implement as much as they possibly can.

"We (as a board) are going to take a look at it and bring forward recommendations that apply directly to us and digest them, and debate them. We are then going to implement as much of this report as possible."

Brassard commented that he hopes negotiations between the local Alberta Teachers Association (ATA) #17 and CESD can get underway before the recommendation for collective bargaining is accepted by the government.

"We would like to get negotiations underway as fast as possible because they are calling for a different process on how negotiations work," Brassard said.

The report says that rather than limiting the right of teachers to strike, the Commission recommends creating a single bargaining entity for school boards, so they speak with one voice in the same way as the ATA speaks for teachers. Currently each board and each local ATA bargain separately.

The report, on this same issue, asks the government to only discuss wages for negotiations and to dismiss such issues as classroom sizes, conditions, and hours of instruction.

Local ATA #17 President, Bob Worsfold was not available for comment prior to press time.

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Richard Marz is currently in the process of carefully reviewing each of the 94 recommendations, but echoed the words of Premier Ralph Klein.

"We are going to do our best to implement as much as we can for the 94 recommendations," Marz said.

Date confirmed for hospital to join Calgary Region

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Didsbury residents who have been lobbying for the past eight years will receive an early Christmas present this December 1st.

After months of investigation and persistence from the local community Alberta's Minister of Health and Wellness has confirmed, officially, that the local hospital will be moved out of the David Thompson Health Region (DTHR) and into Calgary's region.

"This is not related to health care quality or access; residents who go to Red Deer or Calgary for health care will continue to do so. Rather, this is a boundary issue that Didsbury has pursued since the Spring," Gary Mar, Alberta's Health and Wellness Minister. "I am confident regions and government can draw on our experience in changing boundaries to achieve a smooth transition and continuity for residents and our valued health care staff in the Didsbury area."

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Richard Marz, a major driving force behind the Minister to have the boundaries changed, says he did so from the direction of the four municipalities councils which are affected by changes at the Didsbury Hospital.

"Four different councils, including Didsbury town council and Mountain View County council, asked me directly to support this change and that's what I did," Marz said, who stressed that he does have concerns but hopes everything works out for the best for the community.

"I really hope things work out and that everyone is happy by being moved into

"It's all about health care and I just want to make sure it goes just as smooth as possible."

- Grant Hemming
DTHR Board Member

starting to work out with David Thompson and I hope things work out just as well in Calgary for them," Marz said. "If Airdrie continues to grow we may see the flow of traffic change, again - and this is one of my main concerns about switching regions."

David Thompson Health Region (DTHR) Board member, Grant Hemming, according to Marz will lose his seat with the local health region, although there is a vacancy open on the Calgary health board, in which Marz is supporting Hemming fully.

"There is an opening on the Calgary board and I will support him and do whatever it takes to get him there," Marz said.

Hemming says that his main concern, as a serving member of DTHR at this time, is the delivery of health care and ensuring the transition process is as smooth as possible.

"It's all about health care and I just want to make sure it goes just as smooth as possible," Hemming said, adding that he doesn't really want to comment on switching health boards at this time.

This move not only affects the community of Didsbury, but the communities of Carstairs, Crossfield, and Cremona all becoming a part of the Calgary Health Region.

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fact that we will stay open," said Deb Olhausen, facilitator of Midway Community School Enhancement Committee, after hearing the decision of the board to review the future of this school.

"This is a very strong community, and a very strong and united Home and School Committee."

Taylor echoed the commitment of Nysten and Olhausen, to say he too believes this school has a lot going for it.

Midway school is like no other. It's like stepping back in time, to a decade when pie socials were attended by the whole community and school/parent committees were called Home and School rather than Advisory or School Councils, said Taylor.

"In terms of what this school stands for, to close it would be a great loss," said Taylor.

What put this school on the endangered list is a utilization rate of only 47 per cent and an estimated \$525,000 investment from the school board for facility needs and improvements.

What Midway has going for it is, if there was a closure, where would its students go?

The nearest schools are operating at capacity and Midway students would need to be bused more than 30 km to school.

"These children would have an awful long way to go to school. The longest distance would be 36.5 km to Didsbury and 32 km to Carstairs," said Nysten.

"Our kids will go to Didsbury and Carstairs in Grade 7 but for a five-year-old, getting on the bus at 7:15 a.m. and getting home at 4:30 p.m. is pretty tough on a young child."

The committee struck to look at this school's viability will include Chinook's Edge Chairman Roy Brassard, Trustee Ian Taylor, Superintendent Gibbons or his designate, Acting Principal Pat Christensen and two parents (most likely Nysten and Olhausen).

A school closure policy at CESD comes into effect when a school's enrolment has reached a critical minimum. Schools that fall into this category are identified by the superintendent at the end of September, every year. At that point, the board considers student access to a quality education, economic viability, existence of a safe physical environment, utilization of the facility, overall management, issues relative to busing, enrolment trends and population demographics.

This evaluation will include a public meeting and an opportunity for concerned electors to address the board.

"I think we have to explore all options," said Olhausen. "At this point we don't know where to begin. If busing boundaries were enforced we would have more students than our capacity would allow."

Currently there is an estimated 40 students that would be going to Midway but chose to enrol in Didsbury or Carstairs.

"I think we will have to explore why we are not drawing the children in our boundaries. Whether we will go out and speak to parents or look to school enhancement, I just don't know," said Olhausen.

But until that point the community will continue on planning their 50th anniversary celebration for next year and this year's pie social, Oct. 24, when all the Grade 6 graduates come back to their alma mater.

"Our pie socials are a throw back to years ago. We have always carried on the tradition. It is nice to see our graduates come home," said Olhausen.

At the same CESD meeting a school in Benalto, west of Red Deer, was also flagged for a closure review.

The committee for Midway expects to meet sometime in the next two weeks.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

It's midnight, and I love my job... why???



**Shawne
Mohl**

Editor of The Didsbury Review. What part am I going to miss the most?

I would have to say I am going to miss every aspect. I am a confessed workaholic, and thrive on finding stories that will intrigue my readers.

But this past week was probably one of the hardest weeks I have ever had to endure in my professional work career. Saying good-bye is never easy, and this past week was definitely not easy.

This past week meant that I was forced to say good-bye to my sources who I talked to on a weekly basis - and some even a daily basis. But, what has happened is that these sources have turned into some of my friends. I was always taught in journalism school to 'never' become friends with people I quote, but I have formed the trust and the type of relationship with most of my sources that if they do something wrong they know I will report on it, but they also expect me to report the 'good news' stories. I believe I have given my readers every story that they deserve to read.

By the time this editorial hits the news stands I will have started my new job in Leduc, and will be in the process of forming new relationships with new sources, working in a new community, and trying to become familiar with the local happenings and their current events.

But, when this editorial hits the news stands, my readers, my sources, my co-workers, and my friends need to realize that I have very much appreciated all their help, all their guidance, all their encouragement, and most of all their belief and trust in me as a young journalist.

It feels neat to be able to tell my friends I write a weekly editorial, but it's quite another to tell my friends that my readers have formed a trust for me as a young journalist that they respect my opinions - even at times when my readers haven't agreed on what I have wrote - we both have walked away happy, after all my opinion is just my opinion and it has been great when my readers have come in and voiced their own.

But, it's now 12:30 a.m. and this is formally my last editorial as editor of The Didsbury Review, and once again, like I said last week, I will truly miss each and every one of you.

Thank you Didsbury for the most amazing experience I have ever had in my journalism career.

Ponderings of the heart

"What is your story?"

by Margaret Fradley

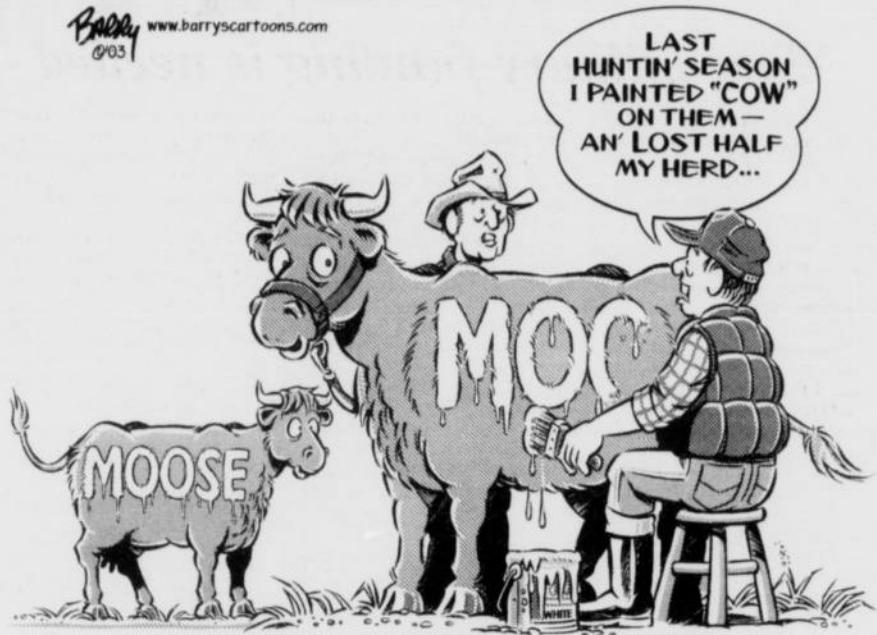
Each of us has a story, it may be a very happy and overall memorable story, and it may be a sad difficult story with painful reminders. Recently I talked with an older lady, who is in a wheelchair; has severe eye problems, so cannot read, and is a very lonely lady. I asked her how she spent her days, and she said "just thinking about the past" - I asked her if it was a "happy past" and she said "not really" - and she shared some painful memories of her past. We all have a story.

Do we sometimes meet someone whom we find difficult to deal with, or to understand or to have a relationship with; I pondered this as I thought about my dear old lady friend, and thought that if we were aware of, and knew another person's story, would it not be so much easier to have that relationship, to learn to love them, as we discover what makes them what they are, what makes them tick.

Over the years I have discovered that if I meet someone whom I find it hard to respect or love, these people are put into my life, and most often I find a very common ground as I come to know their story, and appreciate why they are what they are.

I need people to be patient with me, to listen to 'my story' and to come to understand me better; some people carry a lot of grief, pain, woundedness, and forgiveness, and we can make a difference in their lives, as we learn to 'listen' to who they are and perhaps get a glimpse into why they respond as they do, why they act as they do. What a difference this can make. It takes only time.

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CANADIAN TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Paving the roads with gas tax:

Paul Martin's conversion on the road to 24 Sussex Drive

by Walter Robinson

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation (CTF) prides itself on pushing the public policy envelope by speaking the politically inconvenient truths from balanced budgets to debt reduction to ending bracket creep, it always seems to take a few years for the politicians to get on board.

For half a decade, the CTF has hosted an annual gas tax honesty campaign just before the May long weekend to blow the whistle on Ottawa's tax gouging at the pumps and simultaneously highlight the deteriorating state of Canada's road infrastructure in big cities, small towns and all points in between.

So it was interesting to watch this week's debate on a Canadian Alliance (CA) motion which reads: "That in the opinion of this House the government should initiate discussions with the provinces and territories to provide municipalities with a portion of the federal gas tax."

The actual vote occurs on Tuesday October 7, and early indications point to a majority of Liberal MPs supporting the motion introduced by Transport Critic, James Moore. CTF research was front, centre and unquestioned during this debate.

Ottawa collects \$4.8 bil-

lion in federal fuel and excise taxes annually yet returns less than 3% - a paltry \$118 million - to the provinces by way of transfers for roadway development. And to make matters worse, 99% of this pittance goes to the four Atlantic Provinces and Quebec. From the western banks of the Ottawa River to the farthest tip of Vancouver Island, five provinces and three territories receive squat, zippo, essentially nothing.

Even if we factor in everything loosely defined as a federal infrastructure contribution- canoe museums, bocce ball courts, Shawinigan fountains, just to name a few - Ottawa has still returned only 10% of almost \$45 billion in gas tax collections over the Chretien decade of federal administration.

Worse still, the former Finance Minister and future Prime Minister, Paul Martin, hiked the federal gas tax from 8.5 cents/litre to 10 cents/litre in 1995 as a measure to help fight the deficit. Over the next two years, this netted an extra \$700 million in revenue which helped vanquish the federal deficit. But since this date of balancing the books, this 1.5 cent hike has netted a further \$2.8 billion in tax collections which have found their way to the consolidated general revenue fund. This led one opposition MP to sarcastically label Mr. Martin as a "general revenue junkie."

As Finance Minister, Paul Martin was adamantly opposed

to returning any portion of the federal gas tax to the cities and motorists from which it is plundered. My how the march to 24 Sussex can focus one's mind. His as yet unspecified "new deal" for Canadian cities appears to now cede tax room to the provinces which explains why Liberal MPs will support the opposition gas tax motion, in stark contrast to defeating an almost identical motion this past June. Can there be any doubt left as to who is calling the shots in Ottawa?

However, this well intentioned solution is not ideal as the majority of gas tax revenues will likely be spent on public transit instead of roads. Smaller towns and cities will be left out of the funding loop.

A better solution would be to adopt the CTF's Municipal Roadway Trust model - which continues to garner editorial acclaim nationwide - and allow cities and towns (big and small) to apply for roadway specific federal funding through an annual \$2.2 billion program (5 cents of the gas tax) renewable every three years and overseen with annual reports by the federal auditor general.

Mr. Martin's legions of policy wonks should acquaint themselves with this proposal at www.taxpayer.com go to "studies," and then go to the federal section.

Walter Robinson is the Federal Director for the Canadian Taxpayers Federation

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More military funding is needed

The following is a letter to the editor, although wrote in the form of an 'Open Letter' to the Prime Minister.

To: The Right Honourable Jean Chretien

You are cordially invited to a party celebrating your retirement from Canadian politics and your legacy.

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Dear Mr. Chretien;

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I know you are really busy right now dealing with the latest ethical breaches and scandals. You must be really mad at George Radwanski. That darn privacy commissioner. It must really get you frustrated when your pals get caught wasting over a hundred thousand of hard earned Canadian taxpayers money on expensive dinners and booze (hey did you know his waste alone could have bought our needy troops a couple of new Hummers.) Next time, tell him to be more careful!

Or how about Sheila Copps' office. I hear she has over \$80,000 in "Miscellaneous expenses" this year (i.e. No receipts?). Guess what Jean- that could buy another needed Hummer for the boys. So how are you going to punish these two? The same way you punished Alfonso Gagliano, I hope. Yeah Jean, remember him..your pal who awarded government contracts for Liberal "donations". Remember how cruel you were to him, appointing him Ambassador to Denmark! He must be suffering! Too bad the Vatican refused him (they must have been worried about him mo-

nopolizing all that time in the confessional).

I've got a great idea! Why don't you invite them all to your party! If you don't have room on the helicopters I'm sure we can make room for them on one of the aging, leaking submarines you purchased for our military boys. I know you couldn't afford new, water worthy submarines- seeing that you had blown \$100 million for those jets for your personal use a few years back.

Hey, Jean! While you're inviting your friends, why don't you invite that other guy along, too. You know. The guy who signed all those cheques for your wasteful policies like that \$Billion plus gun-registry. What's his name.. Paul Martinizing or something- yeah. You know - the guy who

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TOWN OF DIDSBURY PUBLIC MEETINGS

• MPC: October 29, 2003 • Corporate Services: October 21, 2003

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NOTICE

Street sweeping will be taking place on Friday, October 10, 2003. Areas will include: 20Ave West to 24 Ave West & 23 Street to 20 Street. Please remember to have streets clear of vehicles the night before! Weather permitting and if equipment is operable.

NOTICE

Join us at the Town of Didsbury Open House on October 15, 2003 at the Didsbury Train Station from 6-8pm. to discuss your concerns to your elected officials. There will be a variety of issues discussed including: a proposed cat by-law, a proposed smoking by-law and the train whistle cessation.

NOTICE

The 1st Didsbury Beavers and Cubs will be starting their fall 2003 popcorn sales fundraising campaign on Tuesday, October 14 - November 3, 2003

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

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• DP 65-03	82 Southridge Cr. Garage with waiver	R2

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NEWS

Chinook's Edge to ensure health region change doesn't affect schools

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Despite Chinook's Edge School Division's (CESD) Board Chair, Roy Brassard, being at the helm of many meetings to have the Didsbury Hospital moved into the Calgary Health Region, CESD will be conducting an investigation to ensure that local programs, such as health and nutrition programs, flu shots, and other health related programming isn't interrupted for schools when the local hospital is pulled out of David Thompson Health Region (DTHR) and into Calgary.

CESD Trustee Sandi Chalmers made a motion at the board's last regular meeting on Wednesday, October 8

CESD experiences growth

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

After experiencing a slight decline in student population last year, Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD) has a higher student population than they had planned for.

CESD had projected, back in June, that their student population as of September 30 was only going to be 10,780 although their actual student population is two per cent higher, which is very encouraging and positive news, says Assistant Superintendent Pieter Langstratt.

"It's very encouraging news for us because many other jurisdictions are seeing a decline, yet we are experiencing growth," Langstratt said.

With CESD having a number of schools along the highway 2 corridor, many would think this would explain the growth but in fact the growth is spread throughout the entire school division and now just communities like Olds, Didsbury and Carstairs which are along the corridor.

"It is hard to pinpoint the exact reasons and the growth is widespread throughout the jurisdiction," Langstratt added.

The two per cent growth brings the student population up to 10,960 students - a total increase of 180 students which works out to approximately \$720,000 extra dollars for CESD to use.

"It (the money) will provide more resources and more funds in terms of funds at a school level."

in Innisfail, to have the Superintendent conduct an investigation to see how exactly this move will affect schools in communities like Didsbury, Carstairs, and Cremona.

"I just want to ensure that the programs, which students are receiving right now are maintained. If this move is going to interrupt any of those programs I think we need to voice our concerns," Chalmers said.

Brassard told the board that the community, including himself, have been pushing for this move for the past eight years and it is nothing but great news.

"We have been pushing for this for eight years, and it has finally happened and it's nothing but great news" Brassard said.

This issue will be brought back to an education committee meeting - not a regular, public meeting.

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Palliative care volunteers play an important role for patients

by Carla Victor
for The Review

To be with someone in the final hours or moments of life, to hold a hand, or let them know they are not alone and to not be afraid, may be the greatest gift one can offer. Palliative care volunteers provide respite to terminally ill individuals when family or friends are not able to be with them as they pass out of this life. In Mountain View County, a palliative care volunteer program is available through all the hospitals within the County and area. "It doesn't take much to make a difference," said Dawna Faryna, volunteer coordinator at Didsbury Hospital. "It takes a special kind of person to volunteer for palliative care, the training program we offer prepares volunteers for any circumstance they may encounter."

Palliative care volunteers learn comforting measures and how to use relaxation techniques. "Mostly volunteers just use reading or music, touch or their company to let individuals know they are not alone," said Faryna. Shirley Somerville has been a volunteer with the program for four years now. She estimates her volunteer time to be only 20 hours per year. "I don't really keep track of how much time I give, I just know it isn't much. I go to where I'm needed," she said. Somerville was approached by Faryna to help in palliative care when she was volunteering at Didsbury Hospital. "I thought about my dad, and how, when he was dying, the doctor called to say he had only an hour left. When I got there he was taking his last breath. "I thought about my mother and how I missed her passing by just 10 minutes.

"It didn't seem right they went through that alone. I would have liked someone to be there for me when I wasn't able, so I said yes." Somerville was called out during the snowstorm last spring, to sit with an individual whose family couldn't get to the hospital when highways closed. "I was happy to go and be with that person." Although some may expect this type of volunteering to be depressing or sad, very few find it to be so. "I'm never depressed about it. Death is a part of life. I feel I'm doing good for this person, but more so for the family who know their loved one wasn't alone," said Somerville. "I've been taught that a person's hearing may be the last thing to go, so I believe they are comforted by having someone there just reading to them or playing music. "We all have to face death, it's just nice not to have to face it alone."

Through a joint effort, Didsbury and Olds volunteer coordinators are offering a palliative care training course at Olds Hospital, Nov. 6 to Dec. 6. People from all over Mountain View County and area are invited to register by calling Dawna Faryna at 335-7268 or Audrey Hobbs at 507-8105. People must register before Oct. 23.

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Bringing back the caribou

The woodland caribou of Alberta's boreal forest successfully adapted to the harsh climate, the limited stocks of the slow-growing lichens that nourish them, and the constant threat of wolves. But by the 1980s, they were in trouble. The herds – never large – had declined to the point where Alberta listed them as a threatened species.

Few scientists had studied the woodland caribou, but most suspected that increased industrial activity was affecting their numbers. Research showed that the long, straight roads and trails made caribou much more vulnerable to successful attacks by predators and hunters.

In the last 15 years, the oil and gas industry has focused on reducing its impact on the land and on wildlife. Through new technology such as today's low impact seismic techniques, companies can explore for new petroleum reserves with little effect on caribou populations.

The petroleum industry has also joined forces with forestry companies, federal and provincial agencies, local governments and northern communities to see if restoring the original caribou habitat would benefit the caribou. In coordinated pilot projects, planning between industries has decreased the impact of roads built and routes chosen. Furthermore, support for a research project to determine the best approach to replanting of old rights-of-way has led to almost 100,000 trees being planted along rights-of-way in a single year.

Matt Besko, the Species at Risk Biologist with Alberta Sustainable Resource Development, says "With industry's help, we have been able to test habitat restoration techniques that not only block lines of sight visually and physically, but more importantly restore the biophysical capability of the area. If we are successful in our efforts to restore seismic cutlines, that will represent a lot of renewed habitat for caribou. Now our research is turning to understanding how predators use old seismic lines. Industry continues to support our efforts to reduce industrial impacts, restore caribou habitat, and educate the public."

Industry is working on reducing its impact on the Woodland Caribou through new technology and collaboration with other industries and government.



Water use – good stories outweigh the bad

Robert Harrison of Alberta Environment knows a thing or two about water use by the petroleum industry. In fact, he knows a lot about everybody's use of water in Alberta. That's because he has spent the past two years with the province's Water for Life initiative, listening to stakeholders and gathering the facts on how we actually use our water.

"When it comes to the petroleum industry," says Harrison, "I know the good stories of water management outweigh the bad. The industry has made real progress in recent years."

The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) agrees. CAPP, which represents the upstream companies responsible for most of Canada's oil and gas production, has been gathering industry-wide data on water usage and practices. In the process, it has documented that petroleum producers use less than five per cent of all water licensed for diversion in Alberta.

CAPP and industry have also been sharing ideas and discovering innovative processes and technologies that help conserve water. At Cold Lake, for example, Imperial has dropped its water consumption from three cubic metres of fresh water per cubic metre of oil to less than half a cubic metre. And near Sylvan Lake, Petro-Canada's ingenuity has enabled the company to conserve water and protect the environment by using solar power to remove salt from produced water.

Despite good news like this, Harrison is convinced that no user of water – whether it's the petroleum industry, agriculture or municipal corporations – is telling their story well. It would help if they did. Exposure to innovative practices can make all water users more responsible.

CAPP President Pierre Alvarez says, "We are documenting and sharing the industry's best water management practices as part of CAPP's Stewardship initiative. Whether the issue is water, emissions or landuse, we are working continuously to not only improve industry performance, but to also talk about it."

Stories of water management illustrate innovative practices and can make all water users more responsible.

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Neighborhood

25 years and still standing strong

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

When the average new business doesn't last more than five years, Bill and Margo Ward deserve to celebrate their success.

A quarter of a century later Ward Value Drug is standing stronger than ever - and the Wards are pretty humble people not wanting to take much of the credit, mostly thanking their loyal customers and dedicated staff. And, even though it takes these loyal shoppers to support the business and hardworking staff to work with the owners to run the business successfully both Bill and Margo have put a lot of hard work into making their business last this long.

According to Bill there were times when the interest rates were so high at the banks, and taxes were so high that they almost owed more to the bank than when they first borrowed the money to buy their family owned business. Although, nothing has stopped Margo or Bill and today, after having their doors open for 25 years they feel very fortunate to have been blessed with a successful business.

The Ward's story is almost like a fairytale dating back to when Bill and Margo were young and vulnerable university students. Margo was from Calgary and Bill was from Edmonton. Both Margo and Bill attended the University of Alberta to study pharmacy, which is where the two met and ended up falling in love with one another, and eventually led them into owning and running their successful Didsbury business.

After graduating University a number of years ago the Wards both moved to Calgary - from Edmonton - where they spent two years working in different pharmacies then they decided they wanted a taste of the smaller towns so they up and moved to Olds. Even though they fell in love with Central Alberta and the small community lifestyle their professional careers led them back to Calgary for a number of years where both Margo and Bill worked long, hard hours.

The young married couple eventually worked up the ranks at large corporate pharmacies in the City of Calgary where they were both managing two separate pharmacies in Calgary.

"We worked very hard. We would have to work opposite shifts during the week so that we could have every second weekend off together - it really wasn't a very good life," explained Bill.



photo by Shawne Mohl

Bill and Margo Ward, owner of Ward Value Drug Mart are celebrating 25 years of owning their successful pharmacy

Margo and Bill eventually had their first born son, Patrick, and after working hard for a number of years they decided it was time to start looking for a place to raise a family.

"We decided that we wanted to raise our family in a small town," Margo said, with Bill adding, "Didsbury was always our first choice, although we did look at a number of different smaller communities - although we kept coming back to Didsbury."

Margo said, "We liked the small town atmosphere and the charm that it has to offer."

After selecting Didsbury the Wards found their store front, purchased it and one month after moving to the community back in 1978 Ward's Pharmacy opened.

When the Pharmacy first opened it was under the brand name of "I.D.A. Drugs" but a

short time later switched to Value Drug Mart, and has remained with this brand ever since.

The Wards selected Didsbury, primarily, because they wanted a place to raise their young son who was only six months old at the time, and later the Wards had another son, David, although they wanted to keep involved in some of the clubs they belonged to in the city.

"We really liked how Didsbury had a lot to offer. It has the golf course, and things like this - although it was still close to the major centre so we could remain members of things like Theatre Calgary," Margo said.

As the years have passed Bill and Margo have both become actively involved in a number of clubs and associations in the area, such as the Elks, Masons, and the Eastern Star.

Margo also finds time, every once in a while, to go for a flight as she is a trained pilot and a member of the Olds-Didsbury Flying Club Association.

Margo says that she enjoys being familiar with her customers when they walk through the door and enjoys the 'closeness' she and her husband have with not only their customers, but also their loyal staff.

**"We don't ever plan on going anywhere.
We like it here, it's a good place to not only raise a family but also a great place to retire."**

- Margo Ward

"Since we opened we have watched children grow up and become parents themselves and we are still treating these same families a generation later," Margo explained with a huge smile on her face, showing that her and Bill have really fallen in love with not only their business, but the entire community.

Bill says that even though there were difficult times in their business venture, everything has worked out and he is glad they made the move.

"We really wanted something different than city life. The anonymity of city life - such as not knowing your neighbours or what is going on across the street isn't something we enjoyed," Margo explained.

There are many couples that can't handle being together for more than a few hours at a time - but imagine working with your spouse for eight hours a day (or more) then going home and having to spend even more time with this person.

Margo and Bill both laughed and exclaimed, "It has been a challenge and there have been some difficult times."

"It's a challenge for you to work for 8 hours a day and then you are at home," Margo explained. "I guess what gives us our outlets is our different

interests in the business."

Bill recalls times when he would order product and when the orders came in they would have double of everything because Margo had already gone around the placed the orders.

"We eventually just had to split up the jobs, and everything has seemed to work out fine," Bill explained, adding that he wouldn't want to run a business without anyone else, but his loving wife, Margo.

The Wards appreciate the business that the community has given them, and Bill especially wanted to highlight the amazing job that his staff have done to help make Ward Value Drug Mart such a success.

"We have been blessed with great staff. Our staff is like our family," Bill said.

The Wards obviously can't work forever, so in a few years when they do decide to retire they have both explained that they don't plan on leaving the community.

"We don't ever plan on going anywhere. We like it here, it's a good place to not only raise a family but also a great place to retire. We just love everything about Didsbury," Margo said.

Ward Value Drug Mart will be hosting a number of different celebrations throughout the month to celebrate the 25 years of existence.

NEIGHBORHOOD



At The Kitchen Table

by Noreen Olson

I have decided not to renew my subscription to Martha Stewart Living.

If I want to feel inadequate and incompetent I can do so without paying for it. I thought I had quite a nice menu planned for Thanksgiving with green salad and apricot aspic for my first course, followed by turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered beets, cranberries, pickles, buns, wine, carrot pie, whipped cream and coffee. Then Martha's latest magazine arrived and I realized just what an unsophisticated bumpkin I really am.

Martha's first course will probably be squash soup with orange spiced cashews or maybe herbed cheese with pears, pine nuts and honey. I suppose it would be un-American to have anything but turkey but the dressing will have three kinds of wild mushrooms the potatoes will be mashed with lemon and caper, the three salads will be made up of things I can't even pronounce and there will be caramelized onions with green tomatoes and corn, parsnips with prosciutto and pomegranate glaze and your choice of four desserts one of which has pumpkin in it.

We polished the silver last week and I am planning to use the good china, my antique green, glass salad plates, candles and flowers. I have a wicker cornucopia that I will dust off and display on the buffet with fruits and vegetables spilling from it and I have some nice little orange pumpkins that can brighten the hearth. I stopped at the dollar store and got some colored leaves and sunflowers that I will wrap into a wreath for the front deck but compared to Martha's decorations mine are simply pitiful. Using pumpkins, gourds and strings of white Christmas lights she makes raccoons, turkeys, porcupines, owls, cats and mice.

Her flowers for October are Amaranthus, Catmint, Bronze Fennel and Lambs ears with Gold Rudbeckia, Hydrangeas and Dahlias. Not a Carnation, Aster or Sunflower in the lot.

I don't know what's to become of my china and silver. My children prefer ironstone and stainless steel and I read some time ago that to set a table in all nicely matched silver and china was to advertise to the world that your family had only recently been able to afford such nice things. The really fine old families have heavy sterling passed down from generation to generation and bearing monograms from illustrious forebears in the seventeen hundreds. The pieces don't all match of course, that would be just too common. The china should blend but not necessarily match and if you have a Meissen vegetable platter that was a wedding present to your great, great, great, grandma you use it and the Waterford crystal wineglasses whenever possible because that shows that you have culture and breeding. I do have a few pieces of my Mom's well worn silver, some from Ralph's Mom, some from a dear old friend and even a couple of spoons that belonged to my Grandmother. I also have a spoon that some family member filched from a CPR dining car but I guess that wouldn't put us in the Social Register.

Actually I feel a bit sorry for Martha, she has had all this legal and financial trouble lately, she is divorced from her husband, who I guess never developed a taste for things like fresh papaya with coconut lime yogurt, and she is rumored to have a rather cold relationship with her only daughter. My menu may be strictly traditional and my decorations rudimentary but our marriage is strong, the house will be filled with three generations of loved ones, food, laughter and love will be plentiful, we are having interesting guests and (as far as I know) we are not in trouble with the law. It's Thanksgiving and even if the china and silver does match, we are very Thankful.

Your trash, isn't someone else's treasure!

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

A refrigerator that doesn't work, a trash can, a broken microwave, numerous household items (that may not even work) are just a few of the items that are being left at the collection bins in the parking lot at the Didsbury A.G. Foods which are used in an effort to raise funds for the Canadian Diabetes Association.

Although very grateful for the number of donations that they are receiving, the Canadian Diabetes Association are pleading to the residents of Didsbury that the donation bins in the community are only to be used to donate clothing and nothing else can be accepted. Yes, this means that they cannot accept stuffed toys, household items, or anything else - except for clothing.

"This bin is only to be used for the collection of used clothing and we cannot accept anything else at our location in Didsbury," said Darcy Warawa, Manager of Business Operations for the Association.

"Right now, in Didsbury, we have people stalk piling many items that we just cannot accept - although we are very grateful, we are asking people to not leave anything but clothing for us to pick up," Warawa explained.

Warawa explained that the Association sells the clothing to different organizations which in turn raises money for the Association which is used to help find a cure or for research purposes.

"Unfortunately people are just dropping stuff off that we cannot use," he explained. "If this continues, it's unfortunate, but we will have to pull the bin out of the community because we are rightfully so receiving complaints from the Town of Didsbury as well as A.G. Foods themselves."

Warawa says that he would hate to see this happen as the Association makes quite a bit of money off of these bins.

"Across the Province it's millions of dollars that we raise, and across Canada it's a multi-million dollar fund-raiser - we truly appreciate these donations, but only the clothing donations."

If anyone has any questions about the Association they can phone 1-877-811-0070 which will connect the caller to the Red Deer office or else you can visit the Association's website at: www.diabetes.ca.

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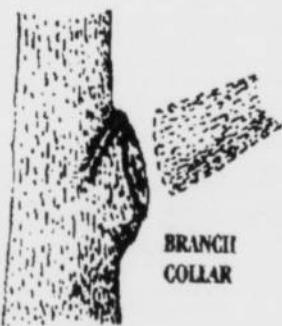


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Didsbury welcomes new RCMP sergeant



Sergeant Gerry Tonn
Didsbury RCMP
Detachment

Fairview's loss is Didsbury's gain now that Sergeant Gerry Tonn has officially signed on for duty at the RCMP Detachment in town.

While he may be new to Didsbury, Sgt. Tonn is definitely no stranger to the Forces. "I have 33 years of service with the RCMP...and counting," he says.

Sgt. Tonn and his wife

Debbie moved to town only last week and have already found a place to stay. "I'm very excited about being here so far...I didn't come to this town to retire, I came down here to see what it's like in the central area of the province."

Ranked high among the qualities Tonn believes essential in any community is respect and understanding for a

community's youth. "It has always been my experience that the youth are extremely important, yet often overlooked," explains Tonn.

"The more you can work with them, the better your community will become." Tonn is quick to point out this is best accomplished by a combination of individuals, including parents and schools.

With this in mind, Tonn foresees the continuation of such valuable programs as COPS, DARE, PARTY and other school liaison activities. "Basically the better citizens they can become, the better a community can become..."

Tonn oversees Didsbury's RCMP Detachment which currently employs nine other officers.

Library to host literary artist on Oct. 22

It's not everyday you actually meet the individual behind the words in that book that you might have been reading recently.

Wednesday, October 22nd at 2:15 pm, however, will be just such a day. That's when the popular young reader's author, David Poulsen will be stopping at the Didsbury Municipal Library on his way through town during an interprovincial tour he is presently fulfilling with the Young Alberta Book Society's "Chrysalis" festival.

Poulsen is credited with writing such award-winning books as "Billy and the Bearman" (CCBC Our Choice Award) and "The Vampire's Visit" (Alberta Short Story Writing Competition). He has also written Dream, Ride for the Crown and the Cowboy Kid.

Poulsen gained much of his experience for his stories through an extensive stint working with rodeo. Along with being a professional competitor and rodeo clown, Poulsen has also been behind the microphone for over 1200 rodeo performances spanning some 22 years.

He has been seen (and heard) at rodeos all over North America including the Canadian Finals Rodeo and - for 15 consecutive years - at the Calgary Stampede.

His television credits include CTV's Wide World of Sports, Makin' 8 for RDTV and the annual Calgary Stampede Highlights show.

In addition to the public reading at the Library the afternoon of October 22nd, Poulsen will also be presenting

to several school groups throughout the morning.

Anyone wishing additional information about David Poulsen's visit to the Didsbury Municipal Library is encouraged to call the Library at 335-3142.



David Poulsen
Author

Other Library Happenings:

October 15th - 19th, the Didsbury Library will be offering their patrons an opportunity to forgo the payment of any fines on their library cards by bringing in a food item for each book that is late.

Overdue fines will be waived and their donated goods taken to the Food Bank.

"This is our way of recovering missing and mislaid books and it is all in celebration of Alberta Library Week 2003," explains Library Technician, Inez Kosinski.

Everyone is welcome to visit the Library during this special time to enjoy the many displays that will be exhibited that week and to learn more about the enhanced library services available through partnerships with Parkland Regional Library and the Alberta Library.

Club provides answers to homework woes

Tired of prodding your elementary-aged child to get their homework done after school? Join the Club - the Homework Club, that is.

Since first arriving on the scene four years ago, nary a moan about homework can be heard. Coordinator, Donna McWhinney, says the after-school program offers kids from grades 1 - 8 a safe, caring, and most of all fun place to do their homework.

"This is my third year do-

ing this and we consistently have anywhere from 14 to 20 kids that meet Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm here at the Library."

The Homework Club is a free program made available to the community through the Child and Youth Club of Didsbury. "The Library has been generous enough to lend us the space to host the Club, for which we are very thankful," says McWhinney.

"The only thing we ask of the families of the children that participate is that they provide cookies once or twice during the year so that our students can have a small snack before they begin their homework."

McWhinney, who holds a Bachelor's degree in Education and works as a teacher's assistant at Ross Ford School, finds her work at the Homework Club very fulfilling.

Although she takes on the responsibility of overseeing any

questions the children have about their homework, she says it is not unusual for others to occasionally offer a helping hand in the task. "It's so encouraging to see some of the older students that come by helping out some of the younger ones...it's very inspiring."

Anyone interested in learning more about the Homework Club is encouraged to call Donna McWhinney at 335-8319.



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AROUND THE CIRCLE

Are you ready to have a good laugh?

by Marge St. Clair

Hopefully you saved the article on the times of the flu shots in your area, be sure to take your Alberta Health Care Card when going for your flu shot.

Fri. Oct. 16

Are you ready to have a good laugh? Meet Camilla Jones in the Multi Purpose Room at the Didsbury Complex from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Phone 335-7369 to register, there is a small admittance fee.

Fri. Oct. 17

Take in Stampede Wrestling in the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex from 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Advance tickets are on sale at the Complex.

Sat. Oct. 18

The Curling Clinic will start at 10:00 a.m. at the Didsbury Curling Rink. All new curlers most welcome. Stick curlers will be on the ice from 12 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sat. Oct. 18

The Mountain View Colts will play against Rimby in the Didsbury

Arena at 8:00 p.m. Come out and support your home team.

The Didsbury & District Community Bus will be going to Bert Church Theatre in Airdrie for an evening of old time and down east music with the Prairie Mountain Fiddlers on Sat. Nov. 1 leaving the 5-0 Centre at 6:00 p.m.

Your money must be in by Wed. Oct. 22nd. Phone Bea 335-3508 or Gen 335-3449 to reserve your seat.

Oct. 23, 24, 25

The Annual Green Spiel will be held at the Didsbury Curling Rink and Sat. Night is costume night, lots of fun for all. Phone the rink at 335-3661 or Cindy 335-8277 (evenings).

Fri. Oct. 24

Support your local hockey team when the Mountain View Colts play against the Taber team at the Carstairs arena at 8:30 p.m. Sat. Oct. 25, the Colts will play against Ponoka at the Didsbury arena at 8:00 p.m.

Sat. Oct. 25

Didsbury Child and Youth Clubs have organ-

Fri. Oct. 31

The Haunted House Tour, a tradition for the past 15 years will end tonight. The tour at the Mullen farm located 1 m east of the airport corner on the Bergen Road on

Hwy 2A then left to the driveway which is all in lights will be held from 6:00 p.m. till -. Hot chocolate and goodies are served and all receipts are donated to S.T.A.R.S.

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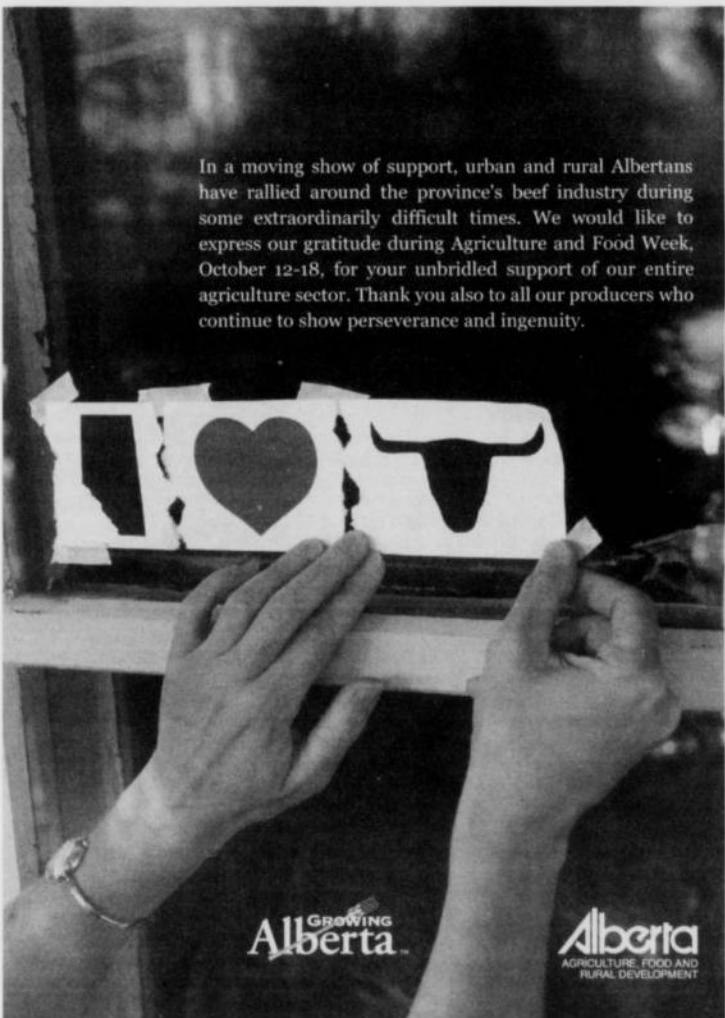
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Ross Ford School students hail the Golden Shoe!



photo by Carla Victor

Mrs. Jensen's Grade 3 class (above) all had a part in obtaining the honoured Golden Shoe for their class, Oct. 8.

The Golden Shoe was awarded to a class at Ross Ford Elementary school which had the most students participate in National Walk To School Day.

In Mrs. Jensen's class, 100 per cent of the students hoisted it to class that day winning the trophy. Along with Mrs. Jensen's class, five other classes obtained the 100 per cent participation: Mr. Bullivant, Grade 2; Mrs. Brown, Grade 4; Mrs. Hohenwarter, Grade 2; Mrs. Paton, Kindergarten; and Ms. Woolliams, Grade 1 and 2.

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I found this picture of an old parish church in Didsbury, Manchester, England amongst the Museum archives. On the back of this picture is written 'wonderful views over Northender Meadows and River Mersey from this churchyard.' No dates and no names. The ladies are wearing early 1900's outfits. Our Didsbury was of course named after Didsbury in Manchester, England.



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What Did You Learn this Year?

Lifelong learning helps people meet the personal and business challenges they face. Agripreneurs are encouraged to seize learning opportunities, and attend educational tours and trade shows throughout the year. These events can help business people address problems, strengthen skills and plan for the future.

Nancy Kindler, director, Agri-preneurship Programs with NxLevel Canada Inc., views attending trade shows as a cost effective form of market research. "Attending trade shows is an excellent way to update market research, see trends and obtain industry information. Most importantly, you get to connect with people in the industry at all levels of the value chain - suppliers, competitors and customers." Touring trade shows can also save you time as many of your contacts are all in one room.

Go to the trade show prepared. Take a list of open-ended questions to gather as much information as possible. To keep up-to-date with new ideas, information and contacts in the industry, visit with other people at conferences and 'pick their brains'. If possible, sit with different people each day and chat with them about their businesses. It's not always easy to start a conversation with strangers but well worth trying. Most people are very willing to share their ideas, successes and failures.

Blaine Staples, a member of Innisfail Growers and a director of the Alberta Market Gardeners Association (AMGA) attended the *Explore Direct* conference in Red Deer in January. As Blaine explains, "It was a terrific conference with many sessions that related to people who market products directly to the consumer. I always believe that if I can come away with even one idea that I can use, it will easily pay for the cost of the conference. I

encourage others to collect all the information they can, whether by attending courses, going to conferences or networking with other direct marketers."

Blaine and Leona Staples gained many marketing and staff training ideas from John Stanley's session at *Explore Direct*. For instance, they are developing permanent and professional signs to identify the product on their farmers' market tables. Each sign will include the product name, the Innisfail Growers logo, and three product benefits. In addition, each sign has an erasable space to add the product price.



Apple cultivars for the prairies

The University of Saskatchewan's domestic fruit program has developed several new breeding lines of apples for western Canada. These cultivars are very winter hardy apples and have the potential to compete with established commercial varieties sold at supermarkets. These are medium to large-sized apples, light green, yellow or reddish in colour.

They are firm, juicy, resistant to oxidation and store

well. Their excellent flavour makes them first class fresh or juicing apples.

"These new apple cultivars are the result of a breeding program founded in the 1920s. The current generation of selections started in the mid-60s with 30,297 original seedlings largely derived from cultivars such as Heyer, McIntosh, Ben Davis, and Malinda," says Chris Neeser, fruit and vegetable specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development's Crop Diversification Centre South, Brooks. "Initially, the breeding effort focused on hardiness and fruit size. Current advanced selections have a strong component of their gene pool from Brookland, Haralson and several Russian cultivars. The most promising of these advanced lines are available to growers who wish to participate in a testing program."

Some of these new cultivars may soon be released for commercial propagation. This will be very welcome news for the fledgling prairie apple industry. At this time there are no commercial apple orchards in Alberta; however, there are a number of interested individuals.

"Although growing apples in Alberta is challenging, the prairie climate has some significant advantages," adds Neeser. "Because of Alberta's dry climate and the fact that apples are not commonly grown, the province has very few disease or insect problems. This means a reduction in production costs and it greatly facilitates production of certified organic apples. The market for organic fresh and processed apples, including apple juice, is excellent and expected to grow."

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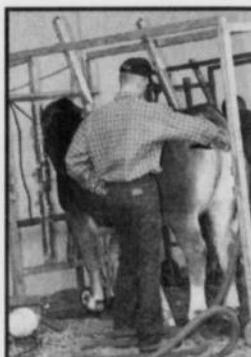
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Seasonal feeding and bedding sites

Livestock producers, municipalities and Albertans have a new information tool to help them better understand and implement recent amendments to the Agricultural Operation Practices Act (AOPA). The changes to AOPA lay a foundation for environmental standards in the province's livestock industry and enhance the approval process for Confined Feeding Operations (CFOs). The new 16-page Reference

Guide: Agricultural Operation Practices Act outlines the regulations and producers' new responsibilities under AOPA.

Amendments to AOPA set new standards for environmental management of Alberta's livestock industry," says Louise Starling, head of the Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development's environmental and livestock welfare branch. "It's our goal to help producers, municipalities and

the public understand and implement the new standards defined in the legislation." The Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRBC) administers AOPA, including a one-window process for siting and approval of applications for new and expanding CFOs. The NRBC is also responsible for monitoring and enforcing compliance with province-wide standards and permit conditions in NRBC approvals and existing municipal permits. Oriented towards producers, the new guide leads readers through the legislation. Key points include:

Nuisance provisions related

to odour, noise, dust, smoke and other disturbances resulting from agricultural operations.

Siting of livestock production facilities to minimize nuisance and protect the environment.

Approval, registration and authorization required.

Manure storage standards for all livestock production including CFOs and anyone who handles or stores manure.

Seasonal feeding and bedding site management.

Application of livestock manure, including record keeping.

Soil nutrient levels for all livestock producers and other

manure users.

Protection of surface and ground water transitional provisions and change of ownership for existing CFOs compliance monitoring and enforcement.

Role of the NRBC, Alberta Agriculture, the Farmers' Advocate of Alberta and municipalities.

The new Reference Guide: Agricultural Operation Practices Act is available on the internet and in print.

To view or download the guide, go to Alberta Agriculture's web site <www.agric.gov.ab.ca/livestock/cfo/guide.html>.

Managing through drought

Drought and its effects on agriculture in Alberta, is uppermost in the minds of many people in the province. Managing Through Drought is the theme of the upcoming annual Thinking About Strategies Speaking Series, organized by Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

"Thinking About Strategies is a series of one day events that focuses on relevant management issues in Agriculture," says Dann Mattson, Alberta Agriculture's agricultural management specialist in Olds. "This year we are pleased to feature Dr. Tim Ball and David Pratt. Ball is a climatologist from Victoria, BC and will speak on weather trends past, present and future. Pratt, from Fairfield California, owns Ranch Management Consultants and teaches the Ranching for Profit School. He will address drought management and risk proofing your business."

"Talking about drought is extremely useful, because drought is just one of many risks that producers face," explains Pratt. "We use drought as a vehicle to teach people how to manage other types of risk

in their business as well." Pratt uses a two-prong approach to risk management; one focuses on how to risk proof a business and the other on how to actually deal with the event once it occurs.

"Drought affects land, animals, money and people, and those four components are key considerations in both risk proofing a business and are factors that should be considered when creating a response plan," says Pratt.

These four components, with the exception of animals, apply to any agriculture business. Drought is a natural occurring phenomenon, but some areas are more prone to drought risk than others. Pratt will discuss several drought-proofing strategies that can be implemented from both a land and animal standpoint.

When it comes to money, many people think that income is going to go down during drought; however, in the first year of drought it's the exact opposite. "In the first year of a drought, you are likely de-stocking or selling capital assets, which means all of a sud-

den you have capital," says Pratt. "Therefore, you need some sort of plan to preserve that capital and put it into something that will generate cash flow so when the money is needed to buy back in, it will be there."

Pratt will explain that one of the big tricks is to recognize early on that you are in trouble, because the earlier you sell, the higher prices will be. There is a date on just about every property that is the point where if it hasn't rained by that time or there hasn't been significant growth, a producer knows they are in trouble. This point is called the critical date, and it's the date on which to pull the trigger on a drought plan. Pratt will discuss several tools that can be used to help develop this plan, and provide examples of successes.

People are the other key component. "Drought tends to immobilize people for a lot of reasons. However, if people understand that drought is normal and develop a plan and the capability to initiate that plan, they are better able to deal with drought," says Pratt. "Most agricultural producers live inside their business. What they do becomes who they are."

Their business is their life. Therefore when the business takes a hit, such as depressed markets or drought, it becomes not just an attack on the business, it becomes a personal attack."

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Properly planned shelterbelts, as those specially-planted trees and shrubs found around Prairie farmyards are known, have benefits beyond basic protection from blowing snow and harsh winters. Researchers have found the shelterbelts can significantly reduce heating costs and even contribute to increased cattle gain.

Tests done by staff at Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA) Shelterbelt Centre in Indian Head, Saskatchewan, during the 1980s illustrated the effects of yard shelterbelts on home heating costs. By comparing the heating costs from homes on protected and unprotected sites, researchers found that shelterbelts can reduce fuel use from 18 to 25

per cent. The reduction was a result of reduced wind velocities which lower the rate of both conduction and infiltration. However, the effectiveness of shelterbelts in lowering heating costs depends on their height and porosity, with the denser and taller shelterbelts being more effective. Dense shelterbelts were described as having five rows — one containing a shrub species, two containing deciduous trees and two rows of evergreens.

Trees and shrubs also provide much-needed protection for livestock. In studies conducted in the northern United States, cattle protected by shelterbelts gained 16 kg more mass than unprotected cattle during a mild winter, while losing five kgs less weight during a severe winter.

Shelterbelts reduce winter heat loss from buildings by reducing wind velocities. A common problem farmers face every winter is heat loss through conduction and infiltration. Conduction is the movement of heat from the inside of a building through the walls and windows to the outside; infiltration happens when cold outside air seeps into buildings through cracks, doors and other openings. Shelterbelts also influence the distribution of snow on the ground. When planted using a proper design, the

trees can reduce snow buildup near buildings and on driveways or lanes and can trap snow in areas around dugouts for water storage. With prairie winters being both cold and windy, the benefits of a good farmyard shelterbelt becomes obvious.

Farmyard shelterbelts protect more than buildings and livestock, though: they also protect living spaces, gardens and orchards. Yard shelterbelts, and the microclimates that they create, allow the growth and enjoyment of many ornamental

and orchard species. Popular trees, shrubs and perennials such as basswood, Amur maple, white pine and roses would be rare or unknown in many parts of the Prairies without this protection. Shelterbelts protect orchard trees from the drying effects of winter and their ripening fruit from summer wind damage. The protection of shelterbelts allow bees and other pollinators to work longer and more efficiently during the growing season, resulting in greater fruit production.

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For the past century, the Shelterbelt Centre has played an important role in improving energy efficiency on Prairie farms. Now, with the recent signing of the Kyoto agreement, the Centre will have an even greater role to play in helping reduce harmful greenhouse gases.

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Shelterbelt Centre, operated by the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA) in Indian Head, Sask., is a specialized operation which produces bare-root tree and shrub seedlings for use in shelterbelts across Western Canada. Over the years, almost 600 million seedlings have been provided to thousands of farmers in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the Peace River Region of British Columbia. Each year, seedlings are planted by farmers to shelter their yards and fields from the wind.



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Focus on the Family



QUESTION: Why is it that children are often the most obnoxious and irritating on vacations and at other times when parents specifically try to please them? On those special days, you'd think the kids would say to themselves, "Wow! Mom and Dad are doing something really nice for us, taking us on this great vacation. We're going to give them a break and be really good kids today." Isn't that reasonable?

DR. DOBSON: Sure it's reasonable, but children just don't think that way. In fact, many boys and girls misbehave even more at these times. Why is this? One reason, I think, is because children often feel compelled to re-examine the boundaries whenever they think they have moved. In other words, whenever the normal routine changes, the tougher kids often push the limits to see if the old rules still apply.

QUESTION: So how can parents preserve their own peace of mind and maintain harmony during car trips and family holidays?

DR. DOBSON: Sometimes it helps to redefine the boundaries at the beginning of your time together. Let the children know exactly what you're doing and what's expected of them. If they still misbehave, respond with good, loving discipline right from the start.

No parent wants to be an ogre on vacation, but it helps to show a little firmness at the outset that can make the rest of the time together fun for the entire family.

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QUESTION: What does research tell us about the personalities of newborns?

DR. DOBSON: One of the most ambitious studies yet conducted took a period of three decades to complete. That investigation is known in professional literature as the New York Longitudinal Study. The findings from this investigation, led by psychiatrists Stella Chess and Alexander Thomas, were reported in their excellent book for parents, "Know Your Child."

Chess and Thomas found that babies not only differ significantly from one another at the moment of birth, but those differences tend to be rather persistent throughout childhood. Even more interestingly, they observed three broad categories or patterns of temperaments into which the majority of children can be classified.

First they referred to "the difficult child," who is characterized by negative reactions to people, intense mood swings, irregular sleep patterns and feeding schedules, frequent periods of crying and violent tantrums when frustrated.

Does that sound familiar? I described those individuals many years ago as "strong-willed" children.

The second pattern is called "the easy child," who manifests a positive approach to people, quiet adaptability to new situations, regular sleep patterns and feeding schedules, and a willingness to accept the rules of the game. The authors concluded, "Such a youngster is usually a joy to his or her parents, pediatrician and teachers." My term for the easy child is "compliant."

The third category was given the title "slow-to-warm-up" or "shy." These youngsters respond negatively to new situations and they adapt slowly. However, they are less intense than difficult children are and they tend to have regular sleeping and feeding schedules. When they are upset or frustrated, they typically withdraw from the situation and react mildly, rather than exploding with anger and rebellion.

Not every child fits into one of these categories, of course, but approximately 65 percent do. Drs. Chess and Thomas also emphasized that babies are fully human at birth, being able immediately to relate to their parents and learning from their environments. I doubt if that news will come as a surprise to most mothers, who never believed in the "blank slate" theory, anyway. It should not be difficult to understand why these findings from longitudinal research have been exciting to me. They confirm my own clinical observations, not only about the wonderful complexity of human beings, but also about the categories of temperament identified by Drs. Chess and Thomas.

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by Marge St Clair

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Ross Ford Elementary students were hard at it last week competing in the schools cross country running competition. (Left) A number of young girls sprint to the finish line.

photo by Shawne Mohl

Stampede wrestlers set to take to the ring this Friday!

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Didsbury residents - young and old - are encouraged to come out and take part in some of the best entertainment around.

A number of wrestling stars will be taking part in Stampede Wrestling this Friday night at the Didsbury Recreational Centre featuring six great bouts.

"Fans can expect to see a great, action packed live show featuring a number of great wrestlers," explained, Ross Hart, who is in charge of bringing the event to the community.

All the matches are relatable to all ages, with no vulgar language being used, making it a fun filled evening for every age.

"We have every type of wrestler - from the good guy to the bad villain," Hart explained.

Stampede Wrestling can't compare to the WWF and doesn't have the fancy lights or sound system, but the entertainment factor is still there, and without the special effects it makes the event more affordable for the entire family.

"Whether you are a traditional wrestling fan or just a first timer coming out for some fun you are guaranteed to have a blast," Hart explained.

In the main event, Harry "Bulldog" Smith, a third generation wrestler from the famous Hart Family takes on rugged Dave Swift. In the semi windup North American Heavyweight champion, 6'8" Carnage faces Kid Nichols. In a girls match, Nattie Neidhart opposes Belle Lovitz.

Later, in a tag team action, Dirty Duke Durrango and "Hot Shot" Johnny Devine go against Marky Starr and Jason Carter. Apocalypse tests Rod Rage in the opener.

Tickets are available either at the door or in advance. If tickets are purchased in advance you can save \$2 off ring side seats.

Tickets cost \$12 for ringwide; \$10 general and \$8 for youth and seniors. Family packs (groups of 4) are available at the door for \$25.

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WATT, Donald Gary, March 24, 1937 - October 6, 2003 passed away peacefully at Didsbury Health Care Centre. Rejoicing in his life and mourning his passing are his beloved wife of 45 plus years, Myrna; his son Michael (Laurie Lee), his daughter Lesley (Al) and granddaughter Linden Grace Eva, sister Wendy and her family, his brothers and sisters-in-law, many nieces and nephews, and many close friends and colleagues. Donald was predeceased by his parents Helen and Ronald Watt in 1992, his sister Marilyn in 1979, his infant granddaughter Alexandra Lynn in 1995. Following 3 years as a member of the RCMP, in 1957 Donald worked in gas processing, first in Taylor Flats, B.C. and then in Harmattan Gas Plant, AB. He retired from Mobil in 1990 on long term disability due to his health. Donald served on Didsbury Town Council from 1976 to 2001, including several terms as Mayor. He especially enjoyed working with the members of the Mountain View Regional Water Commission. Beyond his civic activities, he was also an artist, well known to watercolourists in the area; a musician and organist at the St. Cyprian's Anglican Church; and joyous voice in the Christmas Cantatas. He loved the sea, enjoying 4 dream vacations with Myrna, sailing on the Tall Ships. A model boat builder, he completed 6 models of ships such as the Bluenose and the Bounty, each taking months and years to complete. He made us laugh. Oh, how we laughed at his funny stories, goofy actions and cartoon caricatures where no one was exempt. Steadfast and patient, a wonderful neighbour and treasured friend. Donald enjoyed his past and present affiliation with the Masons who became his friends; Past Master King Hiram Lodge #21, Didsbury; member of Carstairs Lodge #20; member Otuskan Chapter #9 Royal Arch Masons, Calgary; and member Zadok Council #13 Cryptic Rite Masons Western Canada, Royal and Select Master, Calgary. But above all, his favourite role was Grampa to Linden. Private family Eucharist was celebrated at Donald's Church, St. Cyprian's Anglican Church, Didsbury with the Rev. John R. Gishler on October 9, 2003, followed by a Memorial Celebration of his life at 2 p.m. at the Didsbury Memorial Complex also conducted by Rev. John. Family wished to include all who were present at both services as honorary pallbearers. Personal Alternative Funeral Services, Calgary in charge of arrangements. Family has requested in lieu of floral tributes, donations be made to St. Cyprian's Anglican Church Memorial Fund to honour Donald.

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10 COMING EVENTS

WITCHES & GOBLINS will be at the Mountainview Hall!!! Family Halloween Party. Free hot dogs & pop. Oct. 25, 2003, 5:30 p.m. the fun starts. 28-2t

AN 80th Birthday Tea in honor of Hilda Regner will be held on October 19th from 2-4 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church. 27-2t

DYLAN THOMAS return journey at Festival Place Sherwood Park. One night only! Tuesday, October 28, 2003. Contact Ticketmaster. Dinner theatre available at extra cost. awna

13 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

HERITAGE TRUSS in Didsbury hiring 2 F/T entry level positions with advancement opportunities. Heavy lifting, good organizational skills req'd. Competitive wages, benefits available. Please apply with resume & references att'n Troy Taylor in person or fax 335-0023." 27-1t

IN RURAL area. F/T male live-in caregiver for diabetic elderly lady. CPR/Firs Aid. Daily dressing fresh wounds; adm. medication & oxygen, light housekeeping, nursing background pref. Fax resume to: (403) 637-3967. 27-3t

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29-15t

SERVICE MANAGER REQUIRED at a high volume Ford dealership in Northeastern Alberta. The successful candidate must have: A proven track record with service experience; highly organized; excellent communication and leadership skills. Great remuneration package based on experience. Salary between \$45,000. to \$65,000. Interested individuals should send their resumes: Attention: Brad Musat at OK Ford Sales Ltd., P.O. Box 1530, Lac La Biche, AB, T0A 2C0 or fax to 1-780-623-3111. Email: bgmusat@telusplanet.net. awna

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BUSY OILFIELD maintenance and construction company is looking for truck foremen immediately. Experience is a must. Safety tickets are an asset but not mandatory. Please call 403-823-5545 or fax resume to 403-823-5898. awna

SHOP/MIG WELDERS needed immediately for busy oilfield maintenance and construction company. Tickets not necessary. Must live in Drumheller or be willing to relocate. Full benefits and good wages offered. Please call 403-823-5545 or fax resume to 403-823-5898. awna

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THIS SOUTHERN ALBERTA drilling company is presently seeking experienced personnel for our Brooks drilling fleet. We are recruiting experienced personnel for all positions. We are offering competitive wages, an excellent benefit package, and safety incentive program. All qualified applicants must have previous drilling rig experience and be required to pass a pre-employment drug screen and medical prior to employment. Please forward all resumes listing experience and certificates to: Human Resources, Box 1090, Brooks, AB, T1R 1B9 or fax 403-362-6165. awna

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CALNASH TRUCKING LTD. in Ponoka seeks experienced winch tractor, bedtruck drivers and swimmers. Please fax resume with references to 403-783-3011. Thank you to all applicants, however only those chosen for an interview will be contacted. Interviews will be conducted by appointment only. No calls please. awna

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BusTurkey supper at Torrington on Sun.
Oct. 26/03 \$12 all inclusive. Bus leaves
5-0 Club at 2:30 p.m. Call Gen 335-
3449 or Bea 335-3058 for more info.Didsbury Youth Justice
CommitteeRegular monthly meetings are 2nd
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Didsbury RCMP detachment at 7:00
p.m. Anyone interested in joining welcome
to attend.**CARSTAIRS**

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open
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Take off Pounds Sensibly at the Church of
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SPECIAL FAMILIES

RESOURCE ASSOCIATION
Support for families/caregivers of special
needs children. Meetings held 1st and 3rd
Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury
Hospital in the Educational Conference
Room at 7 p.m. Join us for an Asperger's
discussion on Tues. Oct. 14 6:30 - 7:30.
For more information contact Cindy at 335-
4123.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce breaks
for the summer. Meetings will resume in
September. For more info please call 335-
3265.

DIDSURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join
us every Wednesday evening. For more
info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary
335-2835.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board
meets once every month at the Town Office.
For info call the Town Office 335-3391

HALL WALKING

Adult hall walking at Westglen from 6:45 a.m.
Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote
Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls
welcome.**DIDSURY**Mountainview Christian
Women's ClubThe next breakfast will be on Tues-
day, Nov. 4, 2003 from 9:30-11:30
a.m. in Didsbury's Redeemer Lu-
theran Church Gym. \$5.00 per person.
Topic "His Eye Is On The Spar-
row". Call 337-2487 or 335-3765 for reser-
vations.

Stampede Wrestling

Oct. 17, 2003, 7:30 - 10:00 in the Multi
Purpose Room. Advance tickets at the
Didsbury Complex

Didsbury & District Commu-

nity Bus
Echoes of Legends-Shadows of Stars.
Thurs. Oct. 23/03 A walk through the
history of Country Music. \$26.00 Bus
leaves 5-0 Club at 6:00. Money must be
in by Oct. 16/03. Phone 335-3449 or
335-3058 for reservations.**ONGOING EVENTS****DIDSURY**

TOY LIBRARY

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury Toy
Library: (Closed for the Summer) the
Anglican Church Hall basement 2037
- 24 Ave. New members always wel-
come. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays
8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury,
20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call
Wendy at 335-3877 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's
Time Out and Dads Too program. At An-
glican Church Hall, Mondays 10-11:30
a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-
8183 or 335-9903 for more information.

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular
meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday
of the month.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its
regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd
Tuesday of the month. For info, call Kay
Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Mon-
day, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the
Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For
more information please call 335-8123.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday
of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen
Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-
2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tues-
day. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo
at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m.
Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSURY PRESCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2003-
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old. For information or to register your
child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or
335-8039

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nity BusPrairie Mountain Fiddlers. Sat. Nov.
1. Old time down east music at Bert
Church Theatre in Airdrie. Cost is
\$22. Money must be in by Oct. 22. Bus
leaves 5-0 Club at 6 p.m. Call Bea
335-3058 or Jen 335-3449 for reser-
vations.

Free Computer Courses

Starting Oct. 15th, the Didsbury Mu-
nicipal Library will be hosting free
computer courses starting with Intro-
duction to Computers. For information
call 335-3142.**OLDS**

Olds Hospital Auxiliary

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**Even more
'Stew Pot'
ingredients**

photos by Shawne Mohl



The Didsbury Review's Stew Pot is nearly overflowing with all the ingredients our dedicated readers have been bringing in each and every week.

(Left) An unidentified Didsbury man holds onto a rather large potato which he grew in his daughter's garden, weighing in at nearly five pounds.

(Right) Local Didsbury brothers Matthew (left) and Robert hold onto a vegetable they helped their Mom grow, recently. If you have any odd, large, or unique fruits or vegetables bring them in!



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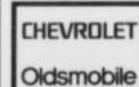
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